

REMARKS


This amendment is in response to the Office Action dated June 26, 2003. By this amendment, Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-8 drawn to a semiconductor device, classified in class 257, subclass 691, without traverse. Claims 9-16 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein and Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional application on the non-elected claims at a later date.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 501.41215X00), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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